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Applicant: GRAF

Application No.: 10/774,872

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Title: SURFACE TECHNOLOGY

Attorney Docket No.: GRA102USA

PETITION GRANTED

William Kronski
Special Program Examiner
TC 1700

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.102

Mail Stop Petition
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant, through his attorney, hereby petitions the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R.

1.102 to advance the above identified application out of turn.

Grounds for this request are actual infringement. As a basis for the granting of this petition, and as required in MPEP 708.02, enclosed is a statement of Thomas M. Graf in support of the petition.

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